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FOR

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DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN R. R.
ERIE R. R.

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DIGBY 4-0190
TELEPHONE BOWLING GREEN 3412

January 29th. 1932.

Mr. Howland Wood,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156 Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wood;

I was offered this afternoon a full size badge of the Russian Imperial Order of St. Andrew for a very low price. I declined because it was not accompanied by the sash and star of the Order and primarily because my collection is almost entirely confined to minatures. The thought occurred that you might be interested in acquiring this unusual piece, and, should you care, I will pick it up for you on receipt of your order and check for it's price, One hundred dollars. It was ordered by some Russian church here in New York who defaulted on the payment of it's contract price, \$195.-.

In reading in Sir Bernard Burke's Orders of Knighthood, London, 1858, I noticed in regard to the Prussian Order of the Red Eagle; "In 1830 the 2nd class was subdivided into two. The first division were allowed to wear at the side of the order also a square star, representing the cross of the order with the middle of the star of the first class." And yet in your collection, you show the square star as ~~an~~ awarded to Non-Christians. Why shouldn't they be awarded star shaped plaques when many of their own decorations have stars, ie, Order of the Medjedie of Turkey, Order of the Nile of Egypt, etc?

With kind regards, believe me,

Yours very truly,

H. Havemeyer, Jr.

January 30, 1932.

Mr. H. O. Havemeyer, Jr.
Brooklyn Eastern District Terminal
25 Broadway
New York City.

Dear Mr. Havemeyer:

We have recently received, as a gift from one of our members, the Russian Order of St. Andrew. Therefore, we are not interested in this piece. I think, however, a sale could be made, if you would write to the Numismatic League, Box 66, South Orange, N. J., who I understand are buying all orders and decorations that they can find. They have just purchased probably the largest private collection in this country. I know nothing about them but would set a price and demand cash.

I am glad you called my attention to the Prussian Order of the Red Eagle. I have looked this up in German authorities and find it is, as you state, the plaque of the second class and I am having the label changed.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator

February 15, 1932.

Mr. Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr.
Suite 2116
25 Broadway
New York City.

Dear Mr. Havemeyer:

The following medals have just come in to us to sell. If you are interested in any of these, make me an offer. I am leaving the matter in your hands as I absolutley have no idea what these things sell for.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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February 19, 1932.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 155 Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wood;

Many thanks for your favor of the
fifteenth, enclosing four miniature decorations.
In establishing a value on these, I checked them
over with J.R.Gaunt. The values listed below are
the prices they would charge if carrying the medals
in stock, and include duty at 60% and a fair profit.
As far as my offer is concerned; since I saw some
of similar workmanship in an antique jewellers store
on 59th Street at Five Dollars apiece, I will offer
that price. They are No. 6 size decorations which
are not official, though sometimes worn in Sweden
and Germany.

Belgium.	
Order of the Crown.	\$15.-
" " Leopold II.	\$12.50

Bulgaria.	
National Order of Merit.	\$20.-
	20.-

Portugal.	
Order of the Conception of Villa Vicosa.	\$20.-

Thanking you for your thought in this
matter, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr.

February 24, 1932.

Mr. H. O. Havemeyer, Jr.
Suite 2116, 25 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Havemeyer:

Many thanks for your letter of February 19th and I will accept your offer of \$20.00 for the four decorations. Personally, I think this a very fair offer. These came in with a lot of art medals and a few coins, the balance of the collection owned by one of our members who died last year and I am trying to dispose of these remainders and I am very glad to accept \$20.00.

Very truly yours,

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February 26th. 1932.

Mr. Howland Wood,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156 Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wood;

In answer to your favor of the twenty-fourth, I enclose herewith my check for Twenty Dollars, in payment of the four miniature decorations you so kindly offered. I greatly appreciate your thought in this matter; and am very glad to add these orders to my collection.

With kindest regards, believe me,

Yours very truly,

Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr.

Yale Club

Vanderbilt Avenue and Forty-fourth Street
New York

Mr. Howard Wood,
Amer. Numismatic Society,
Broadway + 156 Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. Wood,

Enclosed please find
Two dollars for which please send
me to my office, 25 Broadway,
a copy of Mr. Harold E. Gilhington's

#11 - 1912 -

"French Orders + Decorations", and oblige.
French

Regards

Henry O. Hawkeye, Jr.

June 6, 1932.

Mr. Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr.
25 Broadway
New York City.

Dear Mr. Havemeyer:

I am sorry to say that Gillingham's, French Orders and Decorations has been out of print for sometime and we have no copies left. They now sell for about \$5.00. We have received several orders for these and have bought them in at private sale, paying up to \$4.00 or \$5.00 each for them. If you wish we can look around for one of these but I assure you it will cost at least \$5.00. I am consequently returning the \$2.00 in currency that you enclosed.

Very truly yours,

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June 9th. +932.

Mr. Howland Wood,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 155 Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wood;

Many thanks for your kind favor
of the sixth, advising me of the status of
Mr. Gillingham's French Orders & Decorations.
I am not desirous of paying five dollars to
secure a copy, but will wait and look at your
library copy at first opportunity.

The information I hoped to secure
in this book concerned the Order of St. Lazare,
which recently sent you one of their sets of
insignia. If you can throw any light on this,
I would certainly appreciate it. One of my
friends was decorated with the Grand Cross, and
he is desirous of knowing something about the
Order.

With kind wishes, believe me,

Yours very truly,

Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr.

June 10, 1932.

Mr. Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr.
Brooklyn Eastern District Terminal
25 Broadway
New York City.

Dear Mr. Havemeyer:

We have a large book here on the Order of St. Lazare. We have been hearing more or less about it of late, as new life must have been put into the organization of late. Its headquarters is 75 Rue Blanche, Paris. For the conditions of admission to the Order you can communicate with the Grand Prieur des Etats Unis, S. Excellence Victor J. Dowling, 25 Broadway, New York City (Chadbourn, Stanchfield & Levy).

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator